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**Name of Invention: Designer tracheostomy tube attachment**

This correspondence is intended to reply to the office action summary received. This is in reply to the claim rejections. Amendments to claims will also be made accordingly.

In reply to the rejections, I am also amending claims.

I am requesting that a combination of the attachment and the tracheostomy tube be made. The invention is strictly to be utilized in combination with the tracheostomy tube. The invention cannot be used without the tracheostomy tube therefore I request it be in combination with the tracheostomy tube.

Michelle Lynn Hatcher